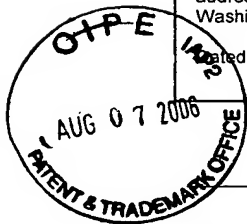


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In re Application of: Banks, W.

Application No.: 10/049,182

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For: Modulation of the Blood-Brain Barrier  
Transporter for Leptin

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION PURSUANT TO 37 CFR §1.111**

**MS Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

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Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to an Office Action (hereinafter the "Action") mailed April 6, 2006 in the above-referenced application.

This paper is accompanied by a petition for a one-month extension of time and a check in the amount of the appropriate fee (\$120) pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17(a). No additional fees are believed due in connection with the filing of this response, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct any such fees from Marshall, Gerstein and Borun LLP account number 13-2855.

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the claims set beginning on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.